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Line 17, page 21, please change “the layer information is not to be generated from the RDB 26” to ~~the hierarchy rule 42 is not defined that the hierarchical information is to be generated from RDB 26--.~~

Line 21, page 21, please change “members” to ~~member--.~~

Line 23, page 21, please change “information” to ~~information of the specified member--.~~

In the Drawings:

In FIGURES 8 and 26, please change every occurrence of “¥” to ~~--\--~~.

In FIGURE 11, please change “CSV FILE” to ~~CSV FILE1--.~~

In FIGURE 15, please change both occurrences of “RDB PRODUCT MASTER LIST” to ~~RDB TABLE ‘PRODUCT MASTER TABLE’--.~~

In FIGURE 17, please change in the step 9023, “BASED ON SPECIFIED PARAMETERS AND MEMBERS OF LAYER RULE” to ~~WITH THE SPECIFIED MEMBER AND PARAMETERS IN HIERARCHY RULE--.~~

In the claims:

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3. The method of maintaining a multidimensional database according to claim 2 wherein the rules are expressed in regular expression.

4. The method of maintaining a multidimensional database according to claim 1 wherein the predetermined layer rule includes an identifier of a file and descriptions of a predetermined format, the file containing a source for generating the corresponding layer information.

5. The method of maintaining a multidimensional database according to claim 4 wherein said generating step further comprising a step of accessing the file to obtain hierarchical information.